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15th Airlift Wing commander's call – The first commander's call of the new year is Jan. 23 at the Memorial Theater. Attendance is mandatory at one of the following three sessions: 9 a.m., 1 p.m. or 3 p.m.

Chief recognition ceremony – The 15th Airlift Wing and Chief Master Sergeants of Hawaii will recognize 22 of Team Hickam's newest chief master sergeants with a recognition ceremony today at the Tradewinds Enlisted Club. The Air Force only promotes one percent of its enlisted force to the rank of chief master sergeant. As such, Team Hickam offers special tribute to those individuals selected and sincere appreciation for their accomplishments with this memorable event. Congratulations Chiefs.

Electrical outages – Electrical outages affecting Hickam's Fort Kamehameha Housing area, buildings in the Hawaii Air National Guard areas, Mamala Bay Golf Course, base supply buildings 1072 and 1073, and the fire training facility is scheduled for Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. These outages are necessary to facilitate upgrade of the electrical distribution systems at Hickam. For more information, contact Henry Wong at 448-7845.

Society of Military Widows – The Society of Military Widows will have a buffet brunch Sunday at Ft. Shafter's Hale Ikena Club at 711 Morton See **NOTES, A4**

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Sergeant earns PACAF award

By Kirsten Tacker
Kukini Photojournalist

Tasked as a flight chief and a military working dog handler, Tech. Sgt. Terry Armstead, 15th Security Forces Squadron, earned the 2005 Pacific Air Forces Outstanding Security Forces Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

Stationed at Hickam for the past two-and-a-half years, he's described as a walking recruiting poster in his nomination packet and a career service-member completing his sixth assignment.

Sergeant Armstead and his military working dog Breton are survivors of a suicide car bomb that exploded at their checkpoint on Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, last year.

"I led a twelve man MWD team to Al Asad Air Base in Iraq," said Sergeant Armstead. "We went there in support of

the Marine Corps in a combat environment. It was the first time that an Air Force unit had ever done that."

In security forces there is a very high deployment rate and it is even higher for canines. His team was attached to the 3rd Marine Air Wing in direct support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"I was going out to search a car and the suicide bomber blew up the car," he said. "The impact of the blast gave me a concussion. It injured (Breton), where he had to have surgery. I had to administer CPR and other first aid to him."

Sergeant Armstead's effective thinking and CPR capabilities saved Breton's life.

"Breton will never deploy again due to the injuries he sustained over in Iraq," said Sergeant Armstead. "He's still workable, but with some of

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Tech. Sgt. Terry Armstead, 15th Security Forces Squadron, leads his military working dog, Breton, through a parking lot. Sergeant Armstead was named Pacific Air Forces Outstanding Security Forces Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

Photo by Kirsten Tacker

Defend yourself



Photo by Mark Bates

Master Sgt. Kim Lingham, 692nd Intelligence Group, practices a pressure point technique to fend off an aggressor, Timothy Cotter, Saturday. Mr. Cotter holds self defense seminars quarterly on Hickam. For more pictures from the event, see B5.

99 Hickam Airmen graduate college

Ninety-nine Team Hickam members recently graduated from college.

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

Staff Sgt. Kirsten Ellsworth
15th Civil Engineer Squadron
Associates in Professional Aeronautics

Senior Master Sgt. Larry Raines
Pacific Air Forces
Master of Aeronautical Science

Central Michigan University
Senior Master Sgt. Vernon Boardley

15th Mission Support Squadron
Masters in General Administration
Wayland Baptist University

Tech. Sgt. Gregory Beachell
15th Civil Engineer Squadron
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Staff Sgt. John Carlton
15th Airlift Wing
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Staff Sgt. Jeremy Coleman
17th Operational Weather Squadron
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Staff Sgt. Consuelo Cordova
Pacific Joint Intelligence Center
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Cruz
48th APS
Associates and Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Master Sgt. Patrick Flieg
Pacific Air Forces
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Gasque
Pacific Air Forces
Associates and Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Airman Shomari Jones
15th Airlift Wing
Associates and Bachelors in Occupational Education

Master Sgt. Edwin Kalilikane
154th Maintenance Squadron
Associates and Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Airman Teresa Kreeger

Pacific Command
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Staff Sgt. Carlos Limo
Kenney Headquarters
Bachelors in Occupational Education

William Mason
Boeing Contractor
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Master Sgt. Patrick Patterson
Pacific Air Forces
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Tech. Sgt. Alfredo Rios Jr.
352nd Information Operations Squadron
Associates and Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Airman Jennifer Ruda
15th Medical Operations Squadron
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Tech. Sgt. Mitzu Delos Santos
U.S. Strategic Command
Bachelors in Occupational Education

Senior Master Sgt. Stephen Thomas
15th Communications Squadron
Masters in Management

Hawaii Pacific University
Senior Airman Beth Alford
15th Comptroller Squadron
Bachelor of Arts

Staff Sgt. Orlando Cezar
15th Mission Support Squadron
Bachelor of Science

Senior Airman Charlotte Cook
Pacific Air Forces
Bachelor of Science

Senior Airman Lauren Furman
324th Intelligence Squadron
Bachelor of Science

Senior Master Sgt. Paul Polcelet
15th Communications Squadron
Bachelor of Science

Tech. Sgt. Jason Ronsse
17th Operational Weather Squadron
Bachelor of Science

Master Sgt. Kenneth Ruggles

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New C-17 Globemaster III honors President Reagan

By Senior Master Sgt. Matt Proietti
452nd Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs

MARCH AIR RESERVE BASE, Calif. (AFP) – Former first lady Nancy Reagan today helped dedicate the Air Force's newest C-17 Globemaster III to honor her late husband, former President Ronald Reagan.

The Spirit of Ronald Reagan is assigned to Air Force Reserve Command's 452nd Air Mobility

Wing here. It is the first Reserve unit to fly its own C-17s.

"We've been looking forward to this day and leaning forward to get ready for this day for over five years," wing commander Brig. Gen. James T. Rubeor said.

He said more than half the wing's C-17 maintenance force is trained, 28 of 40 assigned flight crews are mission ready and the rest are currently in training.

The unit should be able to declare its C-17 operations mission ready this summer, more than two years ahead of schedule, the general said.

Mrs. Reagan, 84, did not address the more than 1,000 people who attended but issued a statement in which she said it was an honor to help welcome the aircraft to its new home.

"Ronnie believed that it is the responsibility of

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Inside the triangle

By Maj. Gen. Chip Utterback
Pacific Air Forces Vice Commander

Our Pacific Air Forces' area of responsibility extends over 16 times zones, from Alaska in the north to Antarctica in the south. It covers half the world's surface. The region includes 60 percent of the world's population speaking more than 1,000 languages and dialects in 43 different countries. It's difficult to overemphasize the vastness and complexity of the Asia-Pacific region.

Unlike other parts of the globe, however, the Pacific region does not share a central land mass, so the cultural differences from one country to the next are immense. There is no NATO, no highways, no "Chunnel," to connect populations. There is no literal or figurative "table" where nations can sit and share their views, argue, cooperate, and compromise.

If you consider that U.S. trade with the region totaled over \$735 billion in 2004, and accounted for over 32 percent of our entire international trade, you can understand the strategic importance and complexities of this region.

Ongoing diversity, growth, and prosperity have made the Asia-Pacific region ripe for intense commercial and military competition. This, in turn, has led to rapid military modernization in several countries that includes the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction ... and their corresponding delivery systems.

Terrorists and criminals network with each other, also seeking to acquire such weapons for their own use. We've also got commercial-trade pirates working in maritime choke points like the Malacca Straits (between Indonesia and Malaysia). This piracy problem results in over \$16 billion per year in lost trade.

Can you see the "perfect storm" brewing?

-This is our playing field in the Pacific. Given this environment, what is Pacific Air Forces doing to transform operations in the air and space regime in this region?

First, if you look at our Air Force presence in the Pacific, you'll notice that over half of PACAF's nine active-duty wings are not on U.S. soil. We have three wings in Japan and two in Korea. These bases are tremendously important. We have wonderful relationships with our Japanese and South Korean partners, but foreign basing adds a level of complexity to our security strategy.

PACAF bases in Alaska, Hawaii, and Guam are on U.S. soil. If you consider each of those locations a specific point and connect the dots, you can visualize a "strategic triangle." This triangle forms a wedge into the Pacific from which we can project airpower to demonstrate our commitment to our friends and allies, deter aggression, and, if necessary, defeat any adversary.

A quick trip around the triangle will highlight some of the new capabilities each location will host.

Guam is the point of the triangle deepest into the Pacific region. Andersen AFB is the most forward

operating base on U.S. soil in our theater - the tip of that strategic wedge. Andersen has the ramp space to handle big aircraft in quantity, seen during Vietnam, when more than 150 B-52s were parked at the base during the Linebacker bombing campaign. Andersen also hosts the largest fuel storage, and one of the largest munitions storage facilities in the air force. And the base has plenty of expansion capability.

We're planning to establish a permanent tanker presence in Guam. We're also proposing to establish intelligence/surveillance/reconnaissance and Global Strike capability on Guam. This will provide our combatant commander with a forward-based, flexible air and space force. We're also considering an expansion of Andersen's Aerospace Expeditionary Force concept to include a balanced mix of air assets, including more fighters and bombers.

In addition, we're in the process of building permanent facilities to base at least three Global Hawks and their launch and recovery element. This unmanned air system is a non-shooting, "peaceful" platform that can acquire visual data for many purposes ... everything from looking for pirate vessels in dangerous waters to assessing natural disaster damage. We're already partnering with Australia, Japan, Singapore, and the Republic of Korea as we "internationalize" Global Hawk. The platform is a tremendous opportunity to bring nations together in the Asia-Pacific region.

Exciting times are ahead for Andersen AFB and Guam!

Hickam AFB in Hawaii is another point of the "strategic triangle." For starters, Hickam will be receiving eight C-17s - the first of which arrives Feb. 8. Our C-17s will be co-located with the Army's new Stryker brigade in the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks. This will allow the units to train together on a regular basis and provide Pacific Command with organic long-haul airlift to establish "boots on the ground" presence anywhere in the theater within 24 hours.

The arrival of the C-17 here will mark not only the first bed-down of the C-17 outside the continental United States, but it will also initiate the first integrated active-duty and Air National Guard airlift unit. Aircrew and maintenance technicians from the Guard will be an associate unit assigned to the active-duty wing. That's Total Force integration, with the Guard and full-time Air Force working hand-in-hand.

This new way of doing business really hits at the heart of transformation - finding innovative, intelligent ways to maximize our resources, and optimize our expertise.

Hickam is also the home of PACAF's first warfighting headquarters unit, the George C. Kenney Headquarters. This is a new concept, designed to be a "24/7/365" command-and-control centerpiece, focused on planning and executing operations, as well as conducting engagement through-

out the Pacific theater. With the Kenney headquarters, PACAF provides the commander of Pacific Command a three-star Airman to lead joint and coalition air operations, along with a headquarters package that can be specifically tailored for any contingency.

Through reachback, the warfighting headquarters will allow us to reduce the footprint in any given operations area. A good example is the Global Hawk. The aircraft will be physically located in Guam, but the mission control element (which actually "flies" the vehicles and collects data for analysis) will be located here at the Kenney Headquarters. This not only saves us time and money, but it reduces the number of Airmen who must be forward-deployed as well.

In summary, the warfighting headquarters will provide the "connective tissue" for air and space power capabilities in the Pacific. It will integrate intelligence, command-and-control, and strike capabilities to respond to the full spectrum of military operations.

Alaska is the third point of the triangle. In 1935, Brig. Gen. Billy Mitchell testified to Congress that "Alaska is the most strategic place in the world." A consummate visionary, General Mitchell knew that Alaska's location and the speed and maneuverability of airpower were a perfect match.

Much has changed since General Mitchell's time, but Alaska hasn't moved, and it remains a key strategic location. As such, Elmendorf Air Force Base outside Anchorage is slated to receive C-17s in 2007 and F-22s in 2009. These two airframes will give us the capability to establish air dominance anywhere in the theater at any time. This is something we can't take for granted. Establishing this air dominance means we can operate without the threat of enemy air attack. (We have not lost a single American life to an enemy aircraft attack since April of 1953, and the F-22 will keep it that way.)

That's the Pacific Air Forces' "strategic triangle." But it's not simply a geometric configuration of systems and organizations. Unquestionably, people are our most valuable resource. Our Airmen and their ability to adapt to an ever-changing landscape are at the heart of transformation, whatever shape it takes.

If you want to talk about new ways of doing business, consider the young airmen who are spending more time now with M-16s than F-16s. Last year, PACAF sent dozens of expeditionary Airmen to the Central Command area of operations and asked them to transform in stride. Our young men and women who normally drive aircrew buses in the snow of Alaska are now driving up-armored HUMVEEs in the sands of Iraq ... and they are doing it magnificently.

PACAF's future is exciting. The strategic complexity of the region presents any number of challenges - but the men and women of Pacific Air Forces will meet those challenges. I'm proud to serve with you. Let the transformation begin.



Photo by Angela Elbern

Col. Bill Changose, 15th Airlift Wing commander, congratulates (from left to right) Airman 1st Class Jesse Wagnon, Airman 1st Class Nathaniel Bryant, Senior Airman Glenn Wilderman and Airman 1st Class Jared White, lightning challenge winners.

We'll be successful

By Col. Bill "Goose" Changose
15th Airlift Wing commander

Success doesn't come easy. Excellence doesn't come easy. Being the best doesn't come easy. You make it look easy because of who you are and your dedication to the mission.

This is a challenging time for our country, but it is also an opportunity to excel. In his Jan. 6 "Letter to Airmen" describing the many innovative solutions he'd witnessed across the service, Secretary of the Air Force Michael Wynne said, "Such ingenious ideas are just what we need to transform our Air Force into the integrated and interdependent force it must become to remain the World's preeminent fighting force."

The 15th Airlift Wing and the 154th Wing understand the Secretary's vision. Our two wings are about to live that vision and demonstrate it's effectiveness to the Air Force and the world.

When Secretary Wynne uses words like "resourceful" and "imaginative", he is describing a philosophy that our wings have turned into a reality. Combining active duty and Guard flying crews and back-shops,

and leveraging the skills of our tenant units to enhance the capabilities of Team Hickam will be the foundation for our success. We see this success in the close cooperation between our wing leadership, our operations groups, maintenance groups, and mission support groups. We're going to have challenges but we'll meet them and we'll exceed expectations. It's that simple, it's who we are.

Personnel from Team Hickam are deployed all over the globe, from Europe to Iraq to Australia. Our efforts and our ability to conduct our mission are helping to keep our country safe and strong. That ability will increase dramatically in a few short weeks. Our first C-17 arrives at Hickam Feb. 8. On that day, preparation changes to execution. I know you are looking forward to that day as much as I am.

The arrival of the C-17 heralds a new era of airlift in the Pacific and the people of Team Hickam will be the ones who shepherd in that new era. I am proud to be a part of this team. I am proud that we make success look easy, and I am proud that this group, more than any other, is ready to face the challenges ahead with dedication, team work, and as usual, excellence.

Action Line

The purpose of the Action Line is in its name. It's your direct link to me so we can work as a team to make Hickam a better community. It also allows you to recognize individuals who go above and beyond in their duties - and we all know there are plenty of those folks here.

All members of Team Hickam are welcome to use the Action Line; however, I urge you to give the normal chain of command the first chance at resolving problems or issues. It's only fair to give our commanders and managers the first opportunity to work issues under their responsibility. If you have done this and are still not satisfied, give my commander's Action Line a call. If you would like me to get back to you, leave your name and number, state your issue, tell me who you have talked to and why you were not satisfied with their response. I'll work your issue and respond verbally or in writing. The Action Line number is 449-2996. Messages may also be sent by e-mail to 15av.pal@hickam.af.mil.

Handicap ramp

Comment: I am the spouse of a retired air force member. When we go out now my husband is in a

wheelchair which I push. Last week we went on the bus to Hickam Air Force Base, getting off the bus at the exchange/commissary stop. We crossed the road, but I could not push the wheelchair onto the sidewalk on the Exchange side because of a small curb at the end of the ramp.

I was struggling with this until a kind gentleman stopped his car and lifted the wheelchair up over the curb and onto the path. For which I was most grateful.

We were hoping that this small curb could be eliminated so that the ramp was flush with the road making it wheelchair friendly.

Thank you.

Response: Thank you for bringing this to my attention. The crosswalk you identified did pose a problem for wheelchairs and was repaired.

As a result of your recommendation we are checking other crosswalks on the installation to ensure the same problem doesn't exist. If anyone else observes problems of this nature please don't hesitate to call the Civil Engineer Customer Service Section at 449-9951 or 9952 to identify the concern and the location.

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449-0175
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449-6373
Base Chaplain
449-1754
Military Family Abuse Shelter
533-7125
SARC Hotline
449-7272

15th CS helps Aliamanu elementary

**By Airman 1st Class
Ryan Klemcke**
15th Communications Squadron

As the gears of the state school system start to turn once more, teachers, parents and students alike are all preparing for the new school semester. While parents and students make their preparations, teachers and the school administrations are doing their part to ready themselves for the upcoming semester in many ways.

Though the new year is but a few short weeks old, Aliamanu Elementary School, in partnership with the 15th Communications Squadron, has already taken huge steps in preparing their campus for the upcoming school semester.

More than 15 people from the 15th CS volunteered their time to help clean up and repair the Aliamanu campus Jan 5.

They did odd jobs including hauling 2,000 pounds of old computers and printers to recycling in Kapolei, knocking down walls, mixing and pouring 30 bags of

cement, and weed-eating more than an acre of weeds and grass.

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the volunteers to their community, Aliamanu Elementary was able to save themselves three to four weeks of work time for their six custodians.

Even though he was on leave, Staff Sgt. Alex Kuh was out volunteering with the other communicators.

"I just like to help out the kids and teachers as much as possible. And I know that they appreciate us being there," he said. "It's not a problem for me to go out there and pour some concrete or knock down a wall. I know that our little bit of effort will go a long way for the school."

Because of the work that was accomplished that day, Aliamanu Elementary is more prepared to take on the new semester. With clean grounds, more space and a fresh look at 2006, they will be able to take on all challenges that come their way and stand strong.



Courtesy photo

Airman 1st Class Jamie Newcomb, 15th Communications Squadron, shovels cement out of a wheelbarrow that Senior Airman Brandon Grissom, 15th CS, holds up during the work day at Aliamanu Elementary School.

GRADUATE, From A1

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Bachelor of Science
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Master Sgt. Samer Alkhoury
735th Air Mobility Squadron
Associates in Transportation
Staff Sgt. Peter Amerpohl
735th Air Mobility Squadron
Associates in Transportation
Michael Belair
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Technology
Senior Airman Fernando Berdoza
15th Communications Squadron
Associates in Electronics Systems
Technology
Donna Lee Bevis
Air Intelligence Squadron
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Applications Technology
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15th Mission Support Squadron
Associates in Human Resource
Management
Master Sgt. Frank Boothe
Pacific Air Forces
Associates in Vehicle Maintenance
Gregory Brannon
15th Civil Engineer Squadron
Associates in Disaster Preparedness
Tech. Sgt. Michael Brown
Pacific Air Forces
Associates in Logistics
Master Sgt. Sonia Burk
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15th Communications Squadron
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Technology
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Technology
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Applications Technology
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Disposal
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Squadron
Associates in Communications
Applications Technology

AWARD, From A1

his injuries the vet won't take a risk of sending him to an environment where the vet care isn't top of the line, like it is here."

Sergeant Armstead is just glad they both made it through, because 32 people were killed as a result of the suicide bomber.

"Also when we were deployed over in Iraq, we actually found several explosive devices that terrorists were trying to bring on the base," he recalled.

Sergeant Armstead appreciates what he does. He knows he is protecting and saving the lives of other human beings when he is working as an explosives dog handler. It is something he's always wanted to do.

"I've been in the military for 10 years and I've worked with MWD's for seven of those 10 years," said the sergeant. "At my three-year mark, I decided that I wanted to go on and proceed with the process of trying to do it. I submitted the appropriate paperwork and I got accepted."

What he likes most about being an explosives dog handler is that he makes a direct impact on the lives of others.

"Probably the biggest thing is that being an explosives dog handler I know that I make a difference," said Sergeant Armstead. "Especially when I am at a deployed location and I am searching for explosives coming through the base. I know that I am the first line of defense and we are protecting the base populace."

Sergeant Armstead demonstrates humility regarding his accolades and doesn't lack gratitude for the support of his team.

"The people I work with and the people around me are the major reasons why I have accomplishments," he said. "They are my accomplishments, but only through them."

"When I say that," he continued, "I am specifically talking about the younger Airmen I work with, because they are the ones that are actually out there doing the day-to-day

job, and unit leadership."

Sergeant Armstead was also honored twice on the unit level before being awarded the Outstanding Security Forces Flight level NCO of the year, earning the flight of the quarter award during the first and third quarter of 2005.

"After I won at the unit level and PACAF level, the packet was forwarded to the Air Force level, where I will compete against other NCO's in the security forces career field," he said.

His nomination packet states, "Sergeant Armstead lives the unit motto, 'Know the job, do the job, be professional,' and provides sponsorship to new Airmen."

Sergeant Armstead will be notified in February or March whether he earns the Outstanding Security Forces Air Force level NCO award.

"With those two awards," concluded Sergeant Armstead. "It just shows me that hard work and dedication does pay off."

Crime Scene

Theft of government property

An active-duty Air Force member notified security forces and reported someone had stripped off his DD Form 2220 (Department of Defense vehicle decal) from the windshield of his vehicle.

Theft of private property

An active-duty Air Force member reported his black book bag containing a laptop and other personal items was stolen from his billeting room. Total cost of stolen of merchandise: \$2,553.

Damage to government property/theft of private property/house break in

An active-duty Air Force member notified security forces and reported someone had broken into his office. Further investigation revealed the snack bar funds, fire extinguisher, and two phone chargers were found stolen from the building. Total cost of stolen of merchandise: \$1,274.

C-17, From A1

every American to help guard the freedoms we hold dear," Mrs. Reagan said in her statement. "So I know he would be especially pleased that this plane will be flown by citizen aircrews, providing support for our troops fighting in faraway lands."

The aircraft is the last of eight C-17s the wing received in the past five months. It was flown by Lt. Gen. John Bradley, chief of the Air Force Reserve and commander of the Air Force Reserve Command, from Boeing's assembly facility in Long Beach, Calif.

"The C-17 has phenomenal capability and flexibility," General Bradley said. "It can go into places that many other airplanes cannot. It can carry huge loads (and) great numbers of troops into very austere environments. It will help the Air Force in its continued war on terror."

General Bradley acknowledged past leaders, including President Reagan, who had "the vision to provide the kind of capabilities that we need today."

"This aircraft will fly around the world

dise: \$60.

Theft of government property

An Air Force member notified security forces and reported his chemical warfare bag and ensembles were stolen.

Theft of private property

An active-duty Air Force member reported someone had broken into his shed and stole his yard equipment. Total cost of stolen of merchandise: \$500.

Theft of private property/damage to private property

An Army and Air Force Exchange Service vendor notified security forces and reported someone opened the bill validator box in the cyberzone café and removed all of its contents inside. Total cost of stolen of cash: \$1,274.

Shoplifting

An active-duty Marine was detained by AAFES store detectives for

shoplifting. Total cost of stolen merchandise: \$159.99.

Theft or private property

An active-duty Air Force member notified security forces that someone had stolen his camera. Total cost of stolen of merchandise: \$300.

Damage to personal property

An Air Force family member notified security forces and reported her vehicle was damaged. Estimated cost of repair: \$450.

Driving under the influence

An active-duty Navy member was apprehended by security forces for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Shoplifting

An active-duty Air Force member was detained by AAFES store detectives for shoplifting. Total cost of stolen merchandise: \$149.99.

and do wonderful things for America and for many other people," he said. "It will deliver troops and equipment (and) deliver humanitarian supplies to people around the world who've never seen anything from America."

California Congressman Kenneth Calvert said the aircraft's delivery marks the dawning of a new aircraft era at the base.

"The fact that our Airmen are equipped with unsurpassed military assets like the C-17 is a testament to those leaders, especially President Reagan, who demonstrated the commitment to sustaining our military strength," he said.

While the wing is the first Reserve unit with its own C-17s, the command's 315th Airlift Wing at Charleston AFB, S.C., and 446th AW at McChord AFB, Wash., operate C-17s owned by active duty units.

President Reagan, who served in the Army Reserve and Army Air Corps during World War II, died June 5, 2004, at age 93.

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Circle. Registration starts at 10:30 a.m. and lunch is at 11:30 a.m. All military widows are invited and current members are encouraged to bring a guest. The cost of the luncheon is \$20. For reservations, contact Virginia Frizelle at 595-7600. For more information, contact Lehua McColgan at 734-5490 or Judith Breitwieser at 262-7953.

Prayer breakfast – The National Prayer luncheon is Jan. 27 at 11 a.m. in the chapel center. The uniform of the day is the attire for

the event. To make reservations, call 449-1754 ext. 235 by Jan. 25.

PWOC retreat – The Hickam Protestant Women of the Chapel will host their annual retreat on the North Shore Jan. 27 to 29. The guest speaker, Patricia Flenniken, will lead attendees on a personal journey through a spiritual makeover that is sure to relax, refresh and rekindle. For more information and registration, send an e-mail to kootsikas@hawaii.rr.com. The application deadline is today.

Blood drive – A blood drive will take place at the community center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 31. To make an appointment, contact Staff Sgt. Camill Thomas at 449-3142 or email camill.thomas@hickam.af.mil.

Public Health clinics moved – The 15th Medical Group Public Health has moved its deployment, force health management and prevention medicine offices to the second floor, room A250 in the clinic. The new telephone numbers for deployments are 448-6338 and 448-

6334. The new numbers for the force health management and prevention medicine sections are 448-6339 and 448-6761.

Flight closure – The Force Development Flight will be closed Feb. 8 for the C-17 arrival events. There will be no CLEP/DANTES or PME testing that day.

Scholarships – The Hickam Officer’s Spouses Club is offering several scholarships varying in size up to \$5,000 to help

defray the cost of college tuition for high school seniors of military members.

Applications can be picked up at the base library, thrift shop, education office, Airmen and Family Readiness Flight and Radford High School.

Applications can also be downloaded from hosc scholarship@yahoo.com. Completed applications must be submitted by March 1. For more information, contact Marie McCormick at 206-7005.